

## Message Text

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 BUJUMB 00443 160915Z

17

ACTION AF-06

INFO OCT-01 EUR-12 ISO-00 SCCT-01 CU-02 SCS-03 SCA-01

CIAE-00 DODE-00 PM-03 H-02 INR-07 L-03 NSAE-00 NSC-05

PA-01 PRS-01 SP-02 SS-15 USIA-06 SY-05 SSO-00 /076 W

----- 052960

P 160845Z JUN 75

FM AMEMBASSY BUJUMBURA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 4890

INFO AMEMBASSY BRUSSELS

AMEMBASSY DAR ES SALAAM PRIORITY

AMEMBASSY KINSHASA PRIORITY

AMEMBASSY NAIROBI PRIORITY

C O N F I D E N T I A L DUJUMBURA 443

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINS, CASC (SMUTS, BARBARA: SMITH, KENNETH STEVEN:

HUNGER, CARRIE)

SUBJ: STEINER'S ROLE AS INTERMEDIARY

REF: STATE 139330 AND DAR ES SALAAM 2074

IN BUJUMBURA AND ON JUNE 7 TRIP TO UVIRA, ATTITUDE OF ZAIRE  
OFFICIALS TO PETER STEINER PROVED FRIENDLY AND CORRECT. WE RECALL  
NO EVIDENCE THAT TANGOG HAS PAID ANY PARTICULAR ATTENTION TO  
AMIN'S WILD CHARGE ABOUT STEINER, EVEN THOUGH, AS EMBASSY  
DAR ES SALAAM HAS REPORTED, THE TANGOV CAREFULLY NOTES RADIO  
UGANDA BROADCASTS ON KIDNAPPING FOR POSSIBLE RELEVANCE TO  
AMIN-NYERERE ANIMOSITIES OR TO AMIN CHANNELS TO PRP.

BOTH GOZ AND TANGOV HAVE PLENTY OF EXPERIENCE WITH AMIN'S ANTICS  
AND DISTORTIONS, AND STEINER'S CASE IS SUCH OBVIOUS MISTAKE THAT  
WE COULD PRESUMABLY CLARIFY BACKGROUND EASILY IF QUESTION  
WERE EVER RAISED. MOREOVER, IF ALL OTHER THINGS ARE EQUAL,  
GOZ AND TANGOV WOULD PROBABLY PREFER TO DEAL WITH AMERICAN SUCH  
AS STEINER WHO HAS FULL CONFIDENCE OF ALL AMERICAN ELEMENTS  
INVOLVED IN CASE, WHETHER STEINER'S ROLE TURNS OUT TO BE IN  
CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 BUJUMB 00443 160915Z

BACKGROUND OR IN FOREFRONT.

MARK

CONFIDENTIAL

NNN

## Message Attributes

**Automatic Decaptioning:** X  
**Capture Date:** 01 JAN 1994  
**Channel Indicators:** n/a  
**Current Classification:** UNCLASSIFIED  
**Concepts:** KIDNAPPING, TERRORISTS, NEGOTIATIONS  
**Control Number:** n/a  
**Copy:** SINGLE  
**Draft Date:** 16 JUN 1975  
**Decaption Date:** 01 JAN 1960  
**Decaption Note:**  
**Disposition Action:** RELEASED  
**Disposition Approved on Date:**  
**Disposition Authority:** GolinoFR  
**Disposition Case Number:** n/a  
**Disposition Comment:** 25 YEAR REVIEW  
**Disposition Date:** 28 MAY 2004  
**Disposition Event:**  
**Disposition History:** n/a  
**Disposition Reason:**  
**Disposition Remarks:**  
**Document Number:** 1975BUJUMB00443  
**Document Source:** CORE  
**Document Unique ID:** 00  
**Drafter:** n/a  
**Enclosure:** n/a  
**Executive Order:** GS  
**Errors:** N/A  
**Film Number:** D750208-0904  
**From:** BUJUMBURA  
**Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Image Path:**  
**ISecure:** 1  
**Legacy Key:** link1975/newtext/t19750644/aaaabnts.tel  
**Line Count:** 62  
**Locator:** TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM  
**Office:** ACTION AF  
**Original Classification:** CONFIDENTIAL  
**Original Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Original Previous Classification:** n/a  
**Original Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Page Count:** 2  
**Previous Channel Indicators:** n/a  
**Previous Classification:** CONFIDENTIAL  
**Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Reference:** 75 STATE 139330, 75 AND DAR ES SALAAM 2074  
**Review Action:** RELEASED, APPROVED  
**Review Authority:** GolinoFR  
**Review Comment:** n/a  
**Review Content Flags:**  
**Review Date:** 21 APR 2003  
**Review Event:**  
**Review Exemptions:** n/a  
**Review History:** RELEASED <21 APR 2003 by ElyME>; APPROVED <22 APR 2003 by GolinoFR>  
**Review Markings:**

Margaret P. Grafeld  
Declassified/Released  
US Department of State  
EO Systematic Review  
06 JUL 2006

**Review Media Identifier:**  
**Review Referrals:** n/a  
**Review Release Date:** n/a  
**Review Release Event:** n/a  
**Review Transfer Date:**  
**Review Withdrawn Fields:** n/a  
**Secure:** OPEN  
**Status:** NATIVE  
**Subject:** STEINER'S ROLE AS INTERMEDIARY  
**TAGS:** PINS, CASC, US, (SMUTS, BARBARA), (SMITH, KENNETH STEVEN), (HUNTER, CARRIE)  
**To:** STATE  
**Type:** TE  
**Markings:** Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 06 JUL 2006